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For: **MESOPOROUS COMPOSITIONS FOR USE IN
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced Patent Application:

1. Response to Non-Final Office Action.

This response is being timely filed (response deadline is December 29, 2005). Thus, no fees are believed to be due in connection with this paper. However, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310 (064422-5002US).

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2005, Applicants respond as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.